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For: CARTILAGE/BONE...REPARATION

Sir:

Responsive to the advisory action of August 10, 2000, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In re Application of:

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Page 4, line 10, cancel "They have" and insert -- It has been--

lines 12 and 16, change "method" to --composition--

lines 22 and 25, change "polypropylene" to

--polyoxypropylene---

Page 5, lines 4 and 13, change "polypropylene" to

--polyoxypropylene--

Page 6, line 19, change "material" to --composition--

Page 7, line 1, change "material" to --composition--

line 13, change "polypropylene" to --polyoxypropylene--

Page 8, line 17, change "material" to --composition--

lines 23 and/27, change "agent" to --composition--

Page 9, cancel line 2 and insert

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